Appl. No. 10/623,707

Reply to Office Action of January 27, 2006

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Remarks

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1 – 10 and 12 were allowed. Claim 11 was rejected

under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,575,751 to Lehmann, and claim 13

was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, for insufficient antecedent basis.

By this response and amendment, Claims 11 and 13 are cancelled without prejudice or

disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein. Applicants submit that the rejections to claims 11

and 13 are obviated by their cancellation.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for

allowance. If the Examiner believes the application is not in condition for allowance, Applicants

respectfully request that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney if it is believed that such

contact will expedite the prosecution of the application.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of

time. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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